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A DEATH GRAPPLE.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Forecast for Saturday and Sunday: Partly cloudy Saturday, probably showers; Sunday fair; light to fresh southwest to west winds.
North Carolina—Partly cloudy Saturday, showers in the interior, probably heavy; Sunday fair; light to fresh southwest to west winds.
RANGE OF THE THERMOMETER.
9 A. M. 77
12 M. 83
3 P. M. 85
6 P. M. 82
9 P. M. 82
12 M. 82
Average 82.5
MINIATURE ALMANAC.
September 3, 1904.
Sun rises 5:42 HIGH TIDE 10:28
Sun sets 6:37 Morning 10:28
Moon rises 11:53 Evening 11:43

Richmond.

Annual report of the Board of Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company to the stockholders will be issued to-day and shows the condition of the road to be most creditable. Receivers Winthrop and Wiekham report their inventory of the Virginia Passenger and Power Company giving estimate of all the property of the company with statement of cash in bank. Interesting gossip regarding who will be chairman of the various Council committees; election in cases of four likely to take place next Wednesday. Richmond companies leave Elba at 3 o'clock this morning for Maine, traveling in two trains over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac road. Death at 10 o'clock of Mrs. M. J. Edgar Shinn, Church Hill druggist and member of the Richmond School Board. Funeral of Mr. Reuben Shierreff at 10 o'clock to-day. The explosion of a house wrecked on Gladys Mountain; the explosion of a house at New Market, Va., through the explosion of gasoline. Board of Supervisors of Henrico to try to get more revenue from the canines which infest the county.

Virginia.
John M. Kinney, Supreme Court librarian at Staunton, dies suddenly. A collision of Prince Edward and a passenger train in the forehead and probably fatally hurt. Young man at Christiansburg killed by a pistol falling from his pocket. The body of a man was found in the river. The mother killed and balances of family shocked. Preparing for dock trial of the case of the man who was killed in the strike of Academy stake hands at Newport. News attracts wide attention. A negro dies in Lynchburg of self-inflicted wounds. The case of the man who was killed in the strike of Academy stake hands at Newport. The press behind the scenes of the whole municipal tangle to be fought out in the Supreme Court. Dr. Alderman appointed on the jury of award and the department of higher education at the World's Fair.

North Carolina.
The lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina regarded as good public policy and is a popular move. The road to be built from the coast to the interior. Candidates speak at Wake Forest. Negro prisoner commits suicide in the Fayetteville Jail in the presence of the jailer.

General.

Lack of definite information from the seat of war; battle apparently continues, but news is very scant. Japanese occupation of Liao Yang still in doubt. Believed that Kuropatkin has withdrawn main portion beyond Taitse River, which is flooded and which serves as a barrier. Estimates of losses in recent fighting disagree badly. Six people burned to death and four others seriously injured, as result of an explosion at Yellow Creek, Ohio. Five women killed in wreck; Lord and Lady Minto were on train, but escaped unhurt. Negro nearly lynched on Providence. Lho steamer wanted to eat with white woman. Belmont anxious to knife Taggart and take control of the situation. Committee in a deadlock; conferences yesterday in New York; Jones to give advice during campaign. Indications that Republican majority in Vermont will be reduced; campaign in West Virginia; situation in New York. Henry Watterson visits Parker and discusses the situation. Donnelly announces that he will force meat famine as best means of ending strike. Car-buncle wins turf handicap at Newmarket. Negro to be hanged in New Orleans. Dr. W. E. Woodard formally discharged from custody. Further plans for the Manassas maneuver. Accident causes injury to two enlisted men.

104 WANT HELP TO-DAY.
The 104 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 6 are as follows:

2 Agents. 83 Trades.
4 Salesmen. 7 Domestic.
5 Miscellaneous. 3 Clerks.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

CONFEDERATE REUNION

Woodridge Holds Its First Annual Picnic in Chesterfield.

DR. J. P. SMITH THE ORATOR

Camps of Both Sons and Daughters Were Organized—Judges Ingram and Clopton Speak.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHESTERFIELD, VA., Sept. 2.—The W. B. Woodridge Camp of Confederate veterans held their first annual picnic and celebration here to-day, in accordance with the plan adopted by the camp at a called meeting early in last month, and so successful and enjoyable has the day proved that in the coming years the occasion will yearly be looked forward to and attended by ever increasing crowds. There was much speculation as to whether the first assembly which is to gather yearly in celebration of the anniversary of the unveiling of the Confederate monument here, would be a success, and whether there would be mere handful of people, or a crowd of hundreds, but the most ardent advocates of the plan for an annual reunion were highly gratified to find a crowd of perhaps five hundred people on the spacious courthouse green by midday, and to see that the spirit of the movement was shared by the happy company, and that the cause of the Confederacy was dear to the hearts of young and old among the natives of old Chesterfield.

It was learned here on yesterday that Judge George L. Christian had withdrawn his engagement to deliver an address to-day on account of the death of Judge Christian at Charles City, but the disappointment of the sad news was in a great measure compensated by the presence and able address of Dr. James Power Smith, of the Presbyterian Church, and short addresses from Judges Clopton and Ingram, both of whom are claimed and loved by the people of this county.

Camps of both Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy were organized during the afternoon, and an encouraging membership was enrolled. The greater part of the afternoon, however, was devoted to pleasure and social intercourse.

Dr. Smith's Address.

Dr. Smith was introduced by Dr. John P. Bransford, commander of the Woodridge Camp, at about 12:30, and he held the attention of that part of the audience within reach of his voice for nearly an hour, though to those who had the privilege of hearing him distinctly, it seemed

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TWO KILLED; SIX INJURED

Elevator Falls Three Stories in a Chicago Store.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Two people were killed and six seriously injured by the falling of an elevator in the store of Sears, Roebuck & Company this afternoon.

The passenger elevator ordinarily used in the building was out of repair, and the freight elevator was used during the day by the customers and employees. While a load of passengers was being carried up the cable parted, allowing the elevator, with its load of ten people to fall three stories. The conductor of the elevator, Philip Caldwell, was instantly killed, and Mrs. Kate Hayes, forty years of age, was so badly hurt that she died this evening in the hospital. Six others of the people who were in the elevator at the time of the accident were injured, but not fatally.

SIX KILLED BY BURNING

Terrific Explosion at Yellow Creek Causes Loss of Life.

FOUR OTHERS ARE INJURED

House Set Afire by Blazing Oil and Escape of Occupants Was Cut Off.

(By Associated Press.)
YELLOW CREEK, W. VA., Sept. 2.—Six persons were burned to death and four seriously injured by a fire and oil explosion here early to-day. Dead: HENRY S. FLING, MRS. HENRY S. FLING, MISS EUNICE FLING, DORSEY FLING, GEORGE FISH, CLINTON MOORE. Injured: ROBERT ALEXANDER, JR., fatally burned. W. W. FISH, may recover. REV. MR. STEAD, very seriously.

The house of Fling was fired by a street lamp, and the intense heat set fire to the ring of an oil well near the house. The flames destroyed the derrick and communicated to the tank, which was full of oil. Before the occupants of the house realized their danger a terrific explosion occurred. The blazing oil was thrown all over the house and their escape was cut off. The bodies were recovered after the fire was subdued.

All Georgia Electors White.

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTA, GA., Sept. 2.—Colonel W. H. Johnson, chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee, to-day announced the Republican electors for the State of Georgia. Every man on the list is a white man.

Democratic Nat'l Headquarters.

New York, N. Y., Sept. 2d.
Times-Dispatch, Richmond, Va.: By some error there was delay in sending invitations to Virginia editors supporting Parker and Davis. Please make prominent in your paper that every editor in your State, who is supporting the Democratic National Ticket, is invited to the banquet in New York, Wednesday night, September 7th, and to go on an excursion to Esopus Thursday, September 8th. Ask who are coming to wire by Monday, at No. 1 West Thirty-fourth Street, New York.

RICHMOND BOY KILLED BY TRAIN

Supposed to Have Fallen While Getting a Free Ride.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., September 2.—Frank Friedhoff, aged about seventeen, a resident of Richmond, fell from a fast west-bound freight train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad this morning, and was instantly killed.

The boy was evidently stealing a ride, and just how he came to his death is not known. He is a son of L. A. Friedhoff, of Richmond, who has been notified. The remains have been brought to Lynchburg.

PRINCESS LOUISE WILL TRY TO GET DIVORCE

(By Associated Press.)
BAD ELSTER, SAXONY, Sept. 2.—Investigations pursued in behalf of the former guardian of Princess Louise of Saxony, who escaped from her hotel here at an early hour Tuesday morning, show that after assuring her personal liberty, she intends seeking a divorce with the purpose of marrying Countess Metelschikoff.

WILL FORCE MEAT FAMINE

Donnelly Thinks This Is the Best Weapon to Use Against Packers.

WILL FIGHT TO A FINISH

Independent Packers Will Probably Join Hands With Those Already Involved.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, September 2.—A meat famine will be forced at all costs. It is the best weapon with which to fight the trust packers, although it may not be welcomed by the independents. In these words President Donnelly, of the butchers' national organization, to-day declared a boycott against all meat, and announced that union men will quit in all packing establishments this afternoon regardless of where live stock is secured.

Donnelly's announcement was made at the conclusion of a meeting of the Allied Trades Conference Board. The executive board of the Retail Meat Dealers' Association of Chicago had just been in conference with Mr. Donnelly and his associates, having come to ask certain concessions for the independent packers and to seek authority to attempt to bring about a meeting between the packers and representatives of the strikers.

By ignoring these latest attempts at peace and by adopting such an aggressive step, the strike leaders demonstrate the intention to make it a fight to a finish.

NEGRO TEAMSTERS STRIKE IN NEW ORLEANS

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, September 2.—A strike of the negro teamsters who haul cotton has gone into effect. Not a bale of cotton was moved in the city yesterday, and the efforts to bring about a compromise of the difference between the drymen and teamsters have failed. The teamsters presented a new schedule for 1904-05 in August, coupling it with conditions objectionable to the drymen. The teamsters declare they will not handle the team of any drymen who does not submit to the schedule.

HOUSE WRECKED BY LIGHTNING

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
DUBLIN, VA., September 2.—During a severe thunder storm yesterday afternoon the house of Snoot Johnson, a coal miner living on Cloyd's Mountain, was struck by lightning and Mrs. Journell instantly killed and Mr. Journell himself badly shocked and his hair singed. Two other men and three children, one of whom stood by the mother when she was killed, were unhurt. The dwelling was badly wrecked, and it is a wonder to all who have seen it that any escaped.

WANT TO KNOW HOW FIGURES BECAME PUBLIC

(By Associated Press.)
SAVANNAH, GA., September 2.—The Committee of Information and Statistics of the Savannah Cotton Exchange to-day sent a telegram to Hon. James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, stating that the exact figures of the monthly Agricultural Department's report were known at Savannah three minutes before the report was published, and asking for an investigation.

MAN MURDERED IN MEXICAN LUMBER CAMP

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, Sept. 2.—Charles Hoskins, an American, has been murdered in a lumber camp near Tenosique, in the State of Tapasco. The local authorities are investigating the matter.

BELMONT IS AFTER HIS SCALP

Would Like to Knife Taggart and Take Control Himself.

COMMITTEE IS IN A DEADLOCK

Announced That James K. Jones Will Give Advice During Campaign.

WATTERSON VISITS PARKER AT ESOPUS

Veteran Editor Hopes for Democratic Success and Will Do His Part—Parker to Make No Speeches and Will Not Visit St. Louis.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, September 2.—August Belmont's ambition to be known as the dominant power in the Democratic National Committee is said to be at the bottom of the paralysis that seems to have seized this body. Chairman Taggart, who would become a mere subaltern if Belmont's ambition were realized, is fighting for political existence, and the National Committee is in a deadlock.

Belmont's plan is reported to be the establishment of a branch headquarters in the West, with Taggart in charge. The main headquarters here he would leave under the joint control of himself and William F. Sheehan. The Western branch would be dependent on Eastern headquarters for funds. As a threat to compel compliance, Belmont is said to hold the refusal of Wall Street's support. Belmont is being aided in his purpose, it is said, by the editorial attitude of one of New York's Democratic newspapers, which has belittled the work of Taggart.

Conference Yesterday.
Taggart is aware of all this, and appealed to some of the chief Democrats outside of New York to prevent his dis-thronement. Colonel James G. Guffey, of Pittsburgh, came to town. John P. Hopkins, chairman of the Illinois State Committee; James K. Jones, of Arkansas; ex-chairman of the National Committee, and National Committeeman Roger C. Sullivan, accompanied Mr. Guffey. They went first to Mr. Taggart's room and were closeted with him for an hour. Then they went to Mr. Sheehan's room and remained long.

Mr. Hopkins is interested in the establishment of a Western headquarters, but he wants it in his city, and not at Indianapolis, as Mr. Taggart would prefer.

Immediately after the conference Mr. Taggart was asked the question of a Western headquarters was in a fair way toward settlement. "No, I can't say that," he replied.

On Tuesday Taggart announced that the matter would be decided shortly, but it was pointed out to him that the situation was not so simple.

Meanwhile funds are being collected slowly, and the work of organization in the doubtful States is lagging.

Jones to Help.

An Associated Press dispatch from New York says: Announcement was made at the national Democratic headquarters that former Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, who was chairman of the National Committee during the past eight years, will be connected with the committee in an advisory capacity. He will not be assigned to any special campaign or department, but it is expected that he will come to New York and remain where he can be consulted and give counsel as to his experience. General Walsh, of Iowa, who was secretary of the old committee, and J. G. Johnson, of Kansas, who was chairman of the Executive Committee during the last campaign, have been placed in charge of departments at national headquarters. The statement is made that these gentlemen have come here at the request of Chairman Taggart.

Messrs. Jones, Johnson and Walsh were

BATTLE STILL RAGES TO NORTH OF LIAO YANG



AT CLOSE QUARTERS.

NEWS FROM FIELD INDEFINITE

Kuropatkin Has Withdrawn Main Army Beyond Taitse River, But Japanese Occupation of City Still In Doubt.

THE LACK of definite information from the seat of war continues up to this (Saturday) morning, and nothing further regarding the situation at Liao Yang is known beyond the fact that Kuropatkin has withdrawn the main portion of his forces to the north, or right bank of the Taitse River, and that according to the latest advices, the action is still in progress. There is disinclination in St. Petersburg to believe that Liao Yang has been abandoned, and at the same time, it is declared that the position Kuropatkin now occupies is the one he had prepared and fortified and where he has all along planned to make his second stand instead of directly in and around Liao Yang with the river at his back, as has been believed. It is thought by Russian experts that in attacking Kuropatkin's present defenses the Japanese are facing an almost impossible attack, especially with their forces divided by the river.

Advices reaching Tokio say that the Taitse is flooded and cannot be forded and therefore, as pointed out in the Associated Press dispatches from St. Petersburg, "the river itself becomes an important factor in the general scheme of Russian defenses."

Dispatches from both Russian and Japanese sources indicate that the troops on both sides are jaded and weary after the many days' fighting, and it is pointed out that in consequence, a temporary lull in the active struggle would not be surprising.

A dispatch received at Tokio says that great fires are raging at Liao Yang, "believed to result from the Japanese shelling, or from the efforts of Russians to destroy their stores preparatory to the evacuation of Liao Yang with the additional hope of injuring the city as a future Japanese base."

The opinion prevails in the Japanese capital that the Russian casualties in the recent fighting will reach 30,000, while the Russian losses of August 31st and September 1st are given in official reports as 5,000 killed or wounded.

The report from Marshal Oyama that he was engaged on Thursday with the Russian center, would indicate that at least a portion of Kuropatkin's army was still on the south bank of the river. It is not yet definitely stated that the Japanese have occupied Liao Yang.

RUSSIANS FIGHTING FOR LIFE; TROOPS BEING RUSHED TO AID.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch, Copyright 1904.)
SINMINTUN, Sept. 2.—General Kuropatkin is fighting for his life to-day to the north of Liao Yang, and while, according to the latest trustworthy reports received here, the Russian commander has not been able to brush Kuropatkin's corps out of his path to Mukden, and is held in check by the Japanese commander, who has been his most dangerous opponent since the Mikados army landed in Korea.

Kuropatkin is said to have with him in front of the Russians and practically cutting off their retreat, something like 50,000 men. New regiments are rushing to him constantly. The bulk of the day's fighting on the north is reported between the Yental Coal Mines and the railroad. It has been of the fiercest description, and the losses have been enormous on both sides.

In the meantime the columns of Nodzu and Oku are pushing the Russian rear guard with unabated vigor. Gen. Zarubalev, who is in command of Kuropatkin's southern front, is contesting every inch of ground in order to give his chief an opportunity to crush the Japanese in his front and clear the way to Mukden. Nodzu's right and Oku's left wings have effected a lodgement on the north bank of the Taitse in spite of determined opposition. The fighting to-day is reported to have been the bloodiest of the war.

Russian troops are being rushed to Mukden from Harbin as rapidly as possible. It is said General Linvitch, with 25,000 men from Vladivostok, is en route to the front, and with the troops available at Harbin. It is expected by

SLAVS STILL CONFIDENT.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, September 2, 3:19 A. M.—The text of the dispatch sent to the Emperor by General Kuropatkin Thursday evening, the gist of which, as given by the war office, was cabled by the Associated Press at 4:50 o'clock Friday afternoon, was not made public Friday night as expected. It was promised to the local press and was awaited with feverish impatience until 2 o'clock this morning, when it was announced that it would be issued to-day. All the news, therefore, as far as St. Petersburg is concerned, is contained in telegrams from foreign sources, and there is painful suspense awaiting news from Russian sources.

Continued and dogged confidence in General Kuropatkin is expressed in many quarters and the public generally, as well as many of the military authorities, absolutely refuse to believe that Liao Yang has been abandoned or that it has been abandoned, that General Kuropatkin is